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Samuel G. Gilbert

GROUP ART UNIT:

3736

INVENTION:

**MINIATURE MAGNETOMECHANICAL TAG  
FOR DETECTING SURGICAL SPONGES AND IMPLEMENTS**

INVENTOR(s): Carl E. Fabian et al.

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	Carl E. Fabian et al.	Group Art Unit:	3736
Serial No.:	10/723,566	Examiner:	Samuel G. Gilbert
Filed:	November 26, 2003		
For:	<b>Miniature Magnetomechanical Tag For Detecting Surgical Sponges And Implements</b>		
Docket No.:	0018-14		

Bedminster, NJ 07921  
December 15, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

In response to the Office Action dated September 16, 2005, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are set forth on page 9 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing Figures is attached following page 20 of this paper.